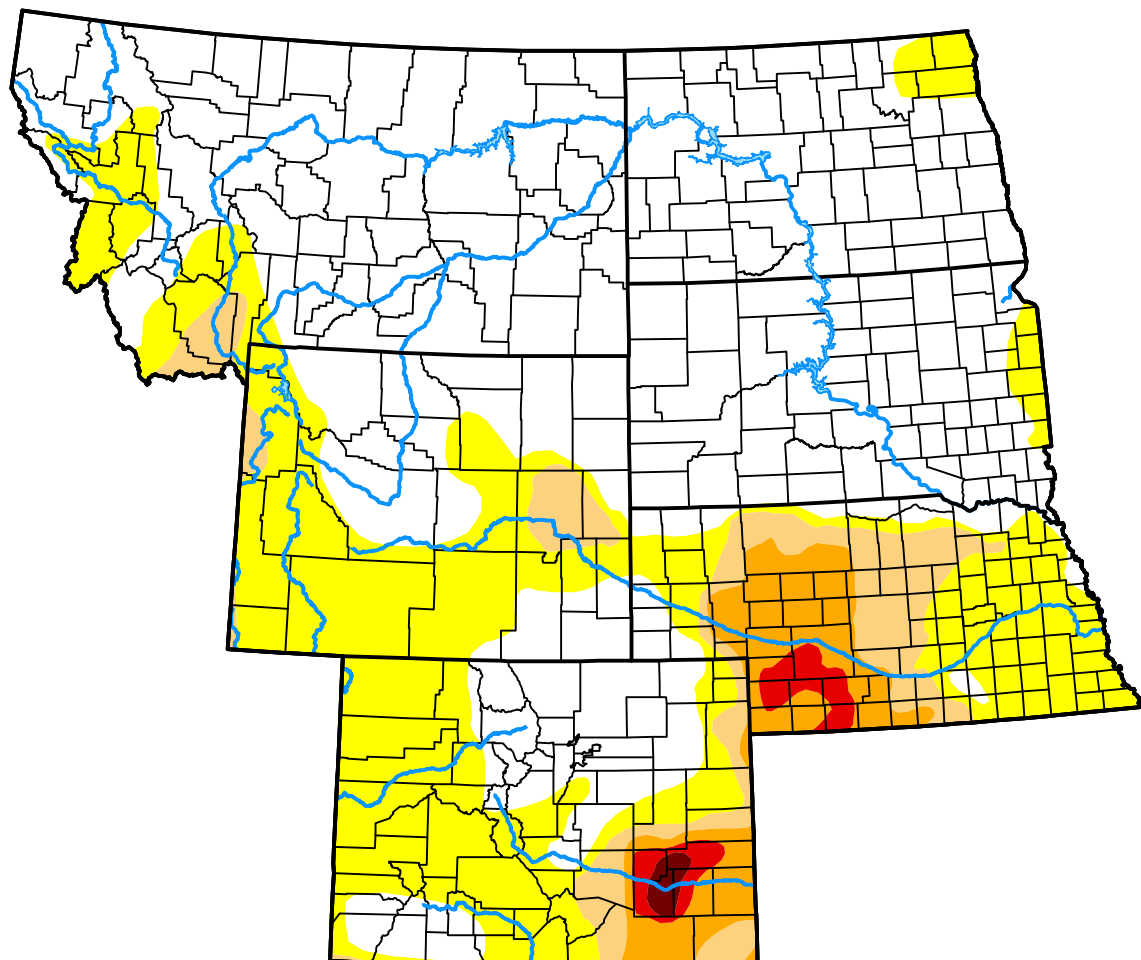


U.S. Drought Monitor

USDA Northern Plains Climate Hub

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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0	D1	D2	D3	D4
Current	61.63	26.44	6.08	4.48	1.10	0.27
Last Week <i>12-10-2013</i>	61.63	26.45	6.16	4.39	1.10	0.27
3 Months Ago <i>09-17-2013</i>	32.42	21.22	27.14	13.51	5.44	0.27
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-01-2013</i>	14.83	8.30	9.89	23.13	25.06	18.79
Start of Water Year <i>10-01-2013</i>	41.24	24.97	20.81	10.88	1.83	0.27
One Year Ago <i>12-18-2012</i>	14.83	8.30	9.89	23.13	25.06	18.79

Intensity:

None	D2 Severe Drought
D0 Abnormally Dry	D3 Extreme Drought
D1 Moderate Drought	D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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